Capsule Summary SM-798 Tobacco Barn on St. Andrews Church Road Hollywood Private

circa 1920s

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2. Location								
street and number	near 44265 St.	Andrews Church Road					not for	r publication
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county	St. Mary's							
3. Owner of	Property	(give names and mailing	g address	ses of all	owners)			
name	Mary Catherine	e Bos				···		<u> </u>
street and number	PO Box 416				tele	phone	N/a	
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7. Description	Inventory No. SM-798
Condition	
excellent deteriorated x good ruins fair altered	

Prepare both a one paragraph summary and a comprehensive description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The gambrel roof Tobacco Barn on St. Andrews Church Road is situated on the south side of the rural road approximately four miles east of Leonardtown. Oriented on an east/west axis, the barn lies amidst a 19.93 acre tract consisting of cultivated fields and woodland. The property is relatively flat and is bounded to the east and west by residential lots, to the south by woodlands, and to the north by the road.

Probably constructed circa 1920, this frame, gambrel roof building features an axial plan. The exterior walls are sheathed with vertical boards and the roof is sheathed with corrugated or raised seam metal. Two cupolas or louvered ventilators project from the peak of the roof to provide ventilation for the upper reaches of the barn. While the north and south sides of the barn do not have any openings, the east and west elevations feature a set of double doors for a central axial cartway for the easy hanging of tobacco.

The interior was not investigated.

8. Signific	cance			Inventory No. SM-798
Period	Areas of Significance	Check and ju	stify below	
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Specific dates			Architect/Builder	
Construction d	ates			
Evaluation for:				- 111
	_ National Register	Ma	aryland Register	x not evaluated

Prepare a one-paragraph summary statement of significance addressing applicable criteria, followed by a narrative discussion of the history of the resource and its context. (For compliance projects, complete evaluation on a DOE Form – see manual.)

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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Hammett, Regina Combs. History of St. Mary's County, Maryland: 1634-1990. Ridge, Md: Self-published, 1994.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of surveyed property	19.93 acres	
Acreage of historical setting	19.93 acres	
Quadrangle name	Hollywood	Quadrangle scale: 1:24 000

Verbal boundary description and justification

The property is bounded to the east and west by residential lots, to the south by woodlands, and to the north by the road. A more specific description of the properties boundaries can be found in St. Mary's County Land Records Liber EWA 1384, Folio 575.

11. Form Prepared by

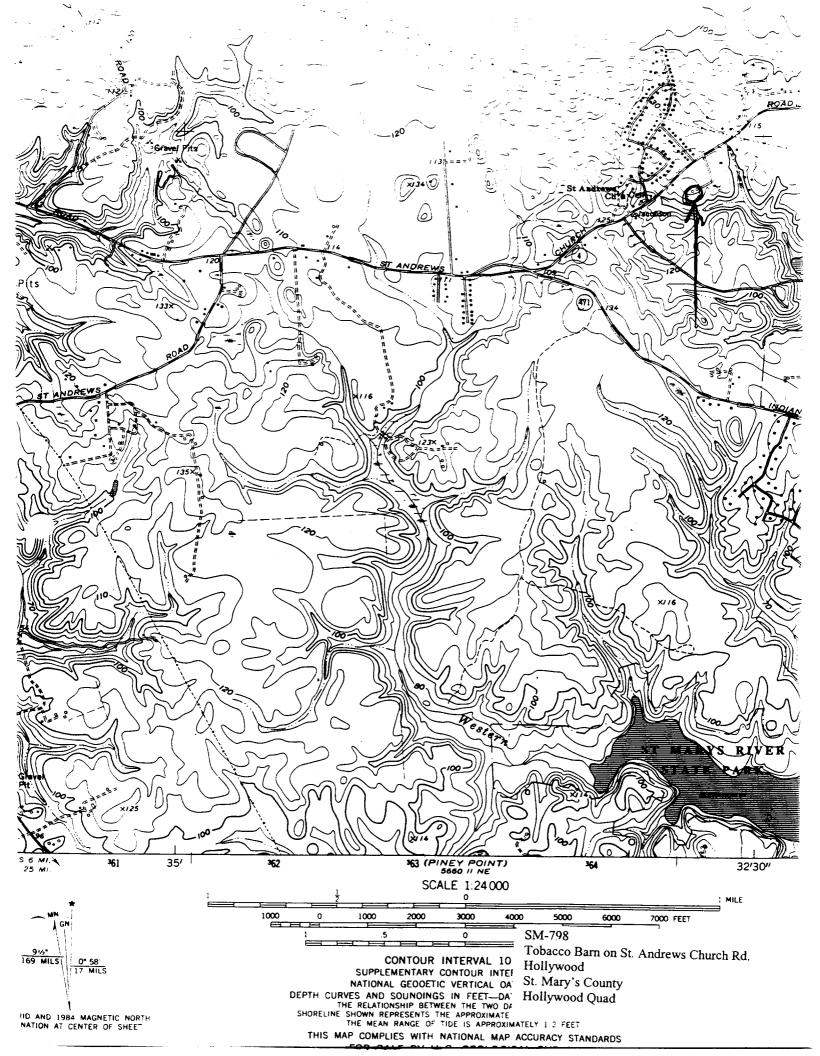
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organization	St. Mary's County Department of Planning & Zoning	date	August, 2000
street & number	22740 Washington Street	telephone	301-475-4662
city or town	Leonardtown	state	Maryland

The Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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